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1. [redacted] stationed in Puetnitz [redacted]
[redacted] 26 members [redacted] were detached to the USSR for retraining on new jet fighters. They are scheduled to return to Puetnitz with eight aircraft of the new type in early December 1954.¹
2. [redacted] 24 VdA members returned on 7 November from a three-month training course given at Ceska Lipa, Czechoslovakia. The VdA men were allegedly trained on jet fighters along with members of the Czech, Polish and Hungarian forces. The aircraft were said to be Czech-manufactured versions of Soviet aircraft.^{2,3}

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Comments:

1. The new type may possibly be the MiG-17.
2. It was not determined whether the trainees were pilots or technical personnel.
3. Comment: The training course probably took place at an airfield 9 1/2 miles southeast of Ceska Lipa, otherwise known as Mimon or Zakupy. An earlier report [redacted] indicated that Hungarian pilots were being trained in the Ceska Lipa area.

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